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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No. 004320.P049
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First Named Inventor Xiaodong Luo

Title: METHOD OF FAST AUTOMATIC EXPOSURE OR GAIN CONTROL IN A MOS IMAGE SENSOR

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS
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1. X **Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)**
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. X **Applicant Claims Small Entity Status. (37 CFR 1.27)**
3. X **Specification (Total Pages 16)**
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive Title of the Invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference sequence listing, a table,
or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. X **Drawings(s) (35 USC 113) (Total Sheets 2)**
5. X **Oath or Declaration (Total Pages 6)**
 - a. X Newly Executed (Original or Copy)
 - b. Copy from a Prior Application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for Continuation/Divisional with Box 18 completed)
 - i. DELETIONS OF INVENTOR(S) Signed statement attached deleting
inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2)
and 1.33(b).
 - c. Unsigned.
6. **Application Data Sheet. (37 CFR 1.76)**
7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
(if applicable, all necessary)
 - a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
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 - ii. paper
 - c. Statement verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. X **Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documents(s))**

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10. ☐ a. Separate 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (where there is an assignee)
☒ b. Power of Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ a. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
☐ b. Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
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- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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| 107 | 510 | 207 | 255 | Plant filing fee | _____ |
| 108 | 740 | 208 | 370 | Reissue filing fee | _____ |
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SUBTOTAL (1) \$ 370.00**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

| | | | Extra Claims | Fee from below | Fee Paid |
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| Independent Claims | <u>2</u> | - 3** = | <u>0</u> | X <u>42.00</u> | = <u>0.00</u> |
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| 103 | 18 | 203 | 9 | Claims in excess of 20 |
| 102 | 84 | 202 | 42 | Independent claims in excess of 3 |
| 104 | 280 | 204 | 140 | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid |
| 109 | 84 | 209 | 42 | **Reissue independent claims over original patent |
| 110 | 18 | 210 | 9 | **Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

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| 105 | 130 | 205 | 65 | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath | |
| 127 | 50 | 227 | 25 | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet | |
| 139 | 130 | 139 | 130 | Non-English specification | |
| 147 | 2,520 | 147 | 2,520 | For filing a request for ex parte reexamination | |
| 099 | 8,800 | 099 | 8,800 | Request for inter parties reexamination | |
| 112 | 920* | 112 | 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | |
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| 115 | 110 | 215 | 55 | Extension for reply within first month | |
| 116 | 400 | 216 | 200 | Extension for reply within second month | |
| 117 | 920 | 217 | 460 | Extension for reply within third month | |
| 118 | 1,440 | 218 | 720 | Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| 128 | 1,960 | 228 | 980 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| 119 | 320 | 219 | 160 | Notice of Appeal | |
| 120 | 320 | 220 | 160 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 121 | 280 | 221 | 140 | Request for oral hearing | |
| 138 | 1,510 | 138 | 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | |
| 140 | 110 | 240 | 55 | Petition to revive - unavoidable | |
| 141 | 1,280 | 241 | 640 | Petition to revive - unintentional | |
| 142 | 1,280 | 242 | 640 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | |
| 143 | 460 | 243 | 230 | Design issue fee | |
| 144 | 620 | 244 | 310 | Plant issue fee | |
| 122 | 130 | 122 | 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | |
| 123 | 50 | 123 | 50 | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q) | |
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| 581 | 40 | 581 | 40 | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | 40.00 |
| 146 | 740 | 246 | 370 | For filing a submission after final rejection (see 37 CFR 1.129(a)) | |
| 148 | 110 | 248 | 55 | Statutory Disclaimer | |
| 149 | 740 | 249 | 370 | For each additional invention to be examined (see 37 CFR 1.129(b)) | |
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| 098 | 130 | 098 | 130 | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) (except provisionals) | |
| 091 | 1,280 | 091 | 1,280 | Acceptance of unintentionally delayed claim for priority | |

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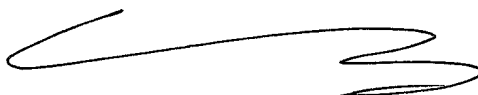
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METHOD OF FAST AUTOMATIC EXPOSURE OR GAIN CONTROL IN A MOS
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